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TOPIC Rail Traffic between the Soviet Zone of Germany and Sweden, and the U.S.S.R. via the Port of Sassnitz on Ruegen Island

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1. [redacted] it was ascertained that 1,030 carloads of potash fertilizers, insulators, kitchen salt, toys, porcelain, beer bottles, 180 sedans from Turin, and 143 Volkswagen from Fallersleben were shipped to Sweden via Sassnitz on the Isle of Ruegen in April 1951. During the same period, 454 carloads of chromium chips, steel wire, codfish and herrings; and machinery, roller bearings, roller chains and butter for Czechoslovakia arrived from Sweden. According to a railroad employee from Frankfurt/Oder, products which were destined for Czechoslovakia were rerouted to the U.S.S.R. in Frankfurt Oder. *

2. During the period from 1 August 1950 to 15 January 1951, the Eisenbahnpolizeimeister (chief of railroad police) in Sassnitz escorted nine trains to the U.S.S.R. Five of the trains were loaded with butter and four with pigs, cattle and important assembled consignments. **

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B. [redacted] escorted trains loaded with pigs from the Isle of Ruegen to Leipzig between 1 and 4 May. A total of seven such trains each loaded with 400 pigs were dispatched during the reported period. The pigs were to be canned, allegedly for Soviet supply depots. **

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* [redacted] Comment. This traffic is handled by the railroad ferry operating between Sassnitz and Trelleborg, which operates 2 or 3 times a day in both directions. [redacted]

** [redacted] Comment. These data cannot be verified.

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